

## Written Testimony before the Human Services Committee Re. SB 105, An Act Concerning Social Innovation Investment February 20th, 2014.

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Sen. Slossberg, Rep. Abercrombie, Sen. Markley, Rep. Wood and members of the Committee:

My name is Chris Corcoran. I am a Project Manager, <u>LAMPP Project</u> at Connecticut Children's Medical Center. At the LAMPP Project our goal is to protect children before they are poisoned by lead hazards or injured by safety hazards in their homes. LAMPP integrates health and safety interventions, lead hazard control, energy efficiency interventions, and housing rehabilitation for property owners by coordinating resources in an efficient manner to produce green and healthy homes.

I am submitting testimony in strong support of SB 105, An Act Concerning Social Innovation Investment. I will keep this brief. I am a strong believer in the Pay-For-Success model. In today's funding environment, budgets are shrinking at the state and federal level. Insisting on measurable results is the best way to maximize the efficiency of budget dollars. Outcome based financing is an effective model that rewards programs that meet specific benchmarks and discontinues funding for programs that underperform.

Under the current spending model, the state will spend budget funds on a variety of services to constituents. Those monies are often times spent on programs without any measurable outcomes. Under the outcome-based performance model, the funds are still spent, however if programs meet or exceed outcomes, resulting in cost savings, there is a chance that the money can be returned to the state. Allowing state agencies to enter into outcome-based performance agreements to fund programs under this model makes fiscal sense.

Thank you for this opportunity. I urge this committee to strongly support SB 105.

Sincerely,

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